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1. The following observations were made in OSCHATZ (N 52/E 71)  
 between 1 and 8 December 1949:

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a. Infanterie and Remonte Kaserne: Occupied by about 500 troops,  
 allegedly belonging to a tank and a rifle unit.

b. Fliegerhorst Kaserne:

(1) Occupied by 1,500 to 2,000 troops, including recruits, of a  
 tank unit which returned recently from maneuvers.

(2) Nineteen T34/43 tanks were observed in front of the  
 hangars on 1 December 1949.

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c. Wernsdorf Castle: A training course for officers was allegedly  
 conducted at the castle. Officers from OSCHATZ daily went to the  
 castle by bus (from the airfield) and (from the Infanterie Kaserne).

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2. The following observations were made in OSCHATZ on 21 December  
 1949 and 9 January 1950:

a. Ulanen Kaserne: Allegedly officers' billets (a hotel),  
 occupied by about 120 young tank officers (allegedly partici-  
 pating in courses of instruction), on 9 January 1950.

b. Infanterie and Remonte Kaserne: Partly occupied by about  
 250 tank troops, half of whom were recruits, on 9 January 1950.

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c. Fliegerhorst Kaserne:

(1) About 200 older troops following a military band marched to the railroad station on 21 December 1949. They were allegedly to return to the Soviet Union. Their baggage was carried on two trucks.

(2) Occupied by about 800 troops, mostly recruits, on 9 January 1950. It was said that a tank unit, an engineer unit (with which Capt IMIENKO was identified as company commander) and a tank repair shop were in the kaserne.

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Comment:

a. The report confirms that component units of the 9th Tank Div are stationed in OSCHATZ. It is believed that the 2nd Tank Regt and, possibly, the 8th Mtz Rifle Regt are there.

b. The mention of an engineer unit in the Fliegerhorst Kaserne indicates that the ? No. Engr Bn of the 9th Tank Div is stationed in OSCHATZ and not, as was previously assumed (July 1947), in ZEITHAIN.

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